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DELAY IN PROJECT OF NTPC
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether NTPC`s Rihand (10,000 MW) project is being delayed due to administrative decisions to split civil works from the order tender;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : The bids for Main Plant Turnkey Package for Rihand Super Thermal Power Project (STPP) Stage-II (2x500 MW) in Uttar Pradesh were opened by National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) on 17.10.2000. Out of 16 parties who purchased the bidding documents for the package, it is only the Bharat Heavy Electricals limited (BHEL) who submitted the bid for the package. The scope of work inter-alia included the Main Plant Civil and Structural works. During negotiations, BHEL did not reduce their prices for civil and Structural works. As the prices for similar and civil and structural works awarded in case of Talcher STPP Stage-II were found to be much lower than the prices quoted by BHEL, NTPC decided to delete the Main Plant Civil and Structural works from the scope of BHEL. After completing the pre-award discussions, the award for main plant turnkey package has been placed on 14.8.2001. There has been no delay due to administrative decision to split the civil works.

(b) : Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) : Rihand STPP Stage-II is expected to be commissioned as per schedule indicated below :-

Project	Unit No.	Commissioning Schedule - year
Rihand STPP Stage-II (2x500 MW)	Unit - 1	2005-06
	Unit - 2	2006-07